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Sri P. RAMAMURTHI :—" The fact that groundnut oil is not available in that area is not a thing which is known only now. In view of this fact, what considerations weighed with the Government in starting the factory at Kozhikode? "

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" It is extremely difficult to fathom the intentions of the previous Government."

Sri V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" The feeling in Malabar is that the Government are likely to part with the factory. I want the Hon. Minister to assure the House that he would not part with it or enter into any deal without consulting the House. The people of Malabar want that the Government should not part with it."

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" The hon. Member will concede that it is extremely difficult to answer a hypothetical question."

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" In view of the fact that the factory is not likely to go into production in the next two or three months, why is it that the full income from the factory is included in this year's budget? "

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Nobody ever thought that the power cut would be imposed and the working of the factory would be affected."

Collection of grazing fees from the Agriculturists.

* 55 *Q*.—Sri M. S. MOGRAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state what is the total amount collected by the Government as grazing fees from the agriculturists in the State?

The Hon. Dr. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" Rs. 7·91 lakhs during 1951–52."

Sri M. S. MOGRAL :—" In view of the acute shortage of grazing grounds in villages, may I know whether the Government will cancel the levy of grazing fees? "

The Hon. Dr. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" In all areas where rainfall has failed in 1952–53, free grazing has been allowed."

Sri P. VENKATASUBBIAH :—" May I know whether cattle breeding co-operative societies are exempted from paying grazing fees? "

The Hon. Dr. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" Notice, Sir."

Sri P. PUNDARIKAKSHACHARYULU :—" Many of the lands that were granted on grazing pattas previously by zamindars were and are being converted into ryoti lands. What is the policy of the Government in regard to such lands? "

The Hon. Dr. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" A separate question may be put, Sir."

Sri R. SIDDANNA GOWD :—" Are the Sugalis and other tribal people exempted from the payment of grazing fees, Sir? "

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THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" As I said before, grazing fees are not collected this year in areas where there has been scarcity of rainfall. I do not think that Sugalis as such have been exempted."

SRI Y. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" What is the total amount collected by way of grazing fees? "

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" Notice."

SRI C. SUBBARAYUDU :—" Will the Government consider the abandonment of the levy of grazing fee, as has been done in the Bombay State, at least in famine areas where acute fodder scarcity exists? "

THE HON DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" I have already said that in areas where there has been famine, no grazing fees have been collected this year."

SRI K. R. SAMBANDAM :—" What is the levy for each animal and is any differentiation made between a bullock and a cow? "

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" Cow unit is taken as one unit. I do not think there is any difference between a cow and a bullock so far as grazing is concerned."

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" Will the Hon. Minister consider the question of constituting grazing fields in Malabar, because there is absolutely no provision whatever for grazing facilities for cattle there, and also because the Government are deriving income from other areas by levying a fee? "

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" It will be considered."

Encroachment by the sea into the Tellicherry Municipal area.

* 56 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that there is increasing encroachment by the sea into the Tellicherry Municipal area, Malabar; and

(b) whether the Government have under consideration, any scheme to prevent this encroachment?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (a) There was coastal erosion on the sea face within the municipal limits of Tellicherry, threatening damage to certain properties.

" (b) A protective wall has been constructed and this has controlled the erosion."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" May I know whose function it is to prevent this erosion? "